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## Senators travel to Cadillac to hear testimony on governor's \$1.5 billion tax hike

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**WHAT:** The fourth meeting in a statewide series of hearings on the governor's proposed

2-percent, \$1.5 billion service tax.

**WHO:** Senator Michelle McManus and other members of the Senate Finance

Committee, local job providers and businesses, and members of the public.

**WHERE:** Student Center, Baker College, 9600 E. 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Cadillac.

**WHEN:** Friday, March 23, at 10 a.m.

**WHY:** Michigan's economy continues to languish as the worst in the nation. Our

jobless rate of 6.9 percent exceeds that of Katrina-ravaged Louisiana and Mississippi. The governor's proposed solution is a new 2-percent, \$1.5 billion service tax. This tax hike would have a significant impact on the state's economy and jobs. The Senate Finance Committee has taken testimony from job providers and individuals across the state on how the governor's plan would

affect their businesses and the economy.

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